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## NORTH CAROLINA HONORED.

Hon. H. B. Varner Chosen First Vice-President of the National Editorial Association.

Last Friday Mr. H. B. Varner was elected first vice-president of the National Editorial Association at Indianapolis. Since 1899 Mr. Varner has attended the meetings of the association and during the past seven years has held successively the offices of national committeeman from this state, and of third and second vice-president. The association is this week taking an outing, after the work of the meeting, and the trip will last several days yet.

On yesterday Mr. H. B. Varner, editor of the Lexington Dispatch, was elected first vice-president of the National Editorial Association at its meeting in Indianapolis. Mr. Varner has just closed a term as second vice-president and his election to this new position of honor speaks well of his entire fitness and faithfulness. Mr. Varner has held other offices in the Association and always with credit to himself and the Association. We congratulate our brother heartily upon his success.—Charlotte News.

It has caused more laughs and dried more tears, wiped away diseases and driven away more fears than any other medicine in the world. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 25 cents, Tea or Tablets. Justus' Pharmacy.

## Homes In Hendersonville.

The Hotel Gates at Hendersonville has recently issued a booklet containing a number of attractive views of the hotel, and places of interest around Hendersonville. The book is also filled with descriptions of the country surrounding Hendersonville and will be read with interest by those contemplating trips to this section of the state. Besides a large picture of the hotel there are many pictures of the summer homes in Hendersonville.—Citizen.

## Spencer and Colors.

Herbert Spencer's notions of art were very crude. His favorite color was what he called "impure purple." He wore "impure purple" gloves and, finding that the furniture was a little somber, had a blinding of "impure purple" pasted round it by a seamstress. He cut the first strip himself and showed her how to stick it on with paste. He had his vases filled with artificial flowers. He wished to have everything bright about him and consequently enjoyed color. When it was suggested he could get that in real flowers he replied: "Booh! They would want constant replenishing!" He wanted to know why the people should object to artificial flowers in a room any more than to an artificial landscape.—Home Life With Herbert Spencer.

## Pigs In China.

A Peking correspondent says: "It is no uncommon sight to see twelve or thirteen enormous fat pigs, with their legs tied, huddled close together having a ride in a Chinese cart with some sort of light cargo on top of them and a man sitting on the cargo. The pigs are silent, and consequently one would think they should not be objects for the action of the Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The fact is that the animals are too fat and lazy to make any noise until disturbed at their journey's end, when bagpipes are as Italian opera to the terrific squealing heard."

## Irish Dislike English.

A writer in the Charlotte Observer says it is a well known fact that an Irishman and an Englishman haven't much love for one another, and many quarrels are naturally in evidence. The following is a proof of it, and brings to the front an Irishman's wit: In a prominent mill city, a mill owner was anxious for his employes to vote a certain ticket. The majority of them did not understand the voting system, being from rural districts, and were at a loss to understand it. However, the mill man gained the Irishman's vote in short order.

"Pat," says he, "which way are you going to vote, republican or democrat?" "Faith," says Pat, "how do I know when I don't know what a republican or a dimycrat is?"

He sought to explain the mysteries of these two factions, but was unable to do so.

Finally Pat said: "How do the English vote?"

"Republican."

"I'll vote the dimycrat."

And most all the "Pats" since that time have voted the same way.

## HACKETT ROASTS BLACKBURN.

Next Congressman From the Eighth goes for his Opponent With Gloves off.

In his speech accepting the nomination for Congress in the eighth district Mr. R. N. Hackett delivered an exceedingly warm talk before the Statesville convention. He started off by saying that for the first time in his life he felt the poverty of language, and then there followed such a burst as to make one wonder what he would have said if he hadn't felt any poverty of language. In paying his respects to E. Spencer Blackburn, he said: "Spencer Blackburn is an ideal republican representative who has done many things lately to frighten his constituency in his district. Strive with me, toil with me, that we may achieve victory in behalf of honesty and uprightness. The name of Blackburn itself is indicative of what the man is. The first syllable 'Black,' represents the character in this world of the present representative of the eighth district. The last syllable 'burn,' represents what his condition will be in the next world. Some of his one time friends, are wearing stripes in the Atlanta prison as a result of Blackburn's campaign methods. Our fight is a fight of decency, and purity of government arrayed against every influence which seeks to sink it into the cess pool of deception and graft. I will go to congress just as sure as the sun sets and I'll strive to meet every question without fear or bias.

"Spencer Blackburn has climbed to the topmost round of the Congressional ladder by his methods of impurity, and would sacrifice Jesus Christ for 30 pieces of silver; he has already stabbed in the back his best friends. But while he is on the topmost round, he will fall next November, and his fall then will be the greatest fall he ever had."

Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar is the original laxative cough syrup and combines the qualities necessary to relieve the cough and purge the system of cold. Contains no opiates. F. V. Hunter.

## The Hotel Wheeler Ball.

The seventh anniversary ball of the Hotel Wheeler will be given on Wednesday night, July 18th. A large number of invitations will be issued for the event, which promises to be one of the most important social functions of the season. The well known orchestra of Mr. Carl Metz, of Charleston, will furnish the music, and while the Hotel Wheeler has been open for some time, the ball will mark the formal opening of this widely known and popular hotel.

A little love, a little wealth,  
A little home for you and me;  
It's all I ask except good health,  
Which comes with Rocky Mountain Tea.  
Justus' Pharmacy.

## Comic Opera Isabella to be Presented Here.

The highly amusing comic opera "Isabella, or 1492" is to be presented by local talent at the town hall, Friday night, July 20th. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the Hospital Association. The opera has been most successful in the various towns in which it has been presented, and under Mr. L. Ouida Tyler, who will have complete charge of the performance here, we may expect an extremely fine production. Admission will be 50c, 35c, and 25c, and as before stated, will be for the benefit of the Hospital Association.

Children like Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. The pleasant and best cough syrup to take, because it contains no opiates. Sold by F. V. Hunter.

Mr. M. Wall has just erected a handsome new building in Edneyville Township, on the Hickory Nut Gap road. The building is of ten rooms, very convenient in arrangement, and is situated just one mile from the famous Hickory Nut Gap. Mr. Wall will open the place on July 10th, as a modern country boarding house, and will furnish ample accommodations in table service and in other ways. Anyone wishing an ideal place in which to spend a few weeks should communicate with Mr. Wall at Gerton, N. C., and he will be pleased to answer all inquiries. J. L. Freeman, of Hendersonville, will also give any information required in regard to rates, etc. The rates will be extremely reasonable, and it would be hard to find a better, a more home-like or pleasant place in the mountains of Western North Carolina. The water is said to be the best in this section, cool, sparkling and healthful to those who drink it.

## AYCOCK'S WITTY JOKE.

The Ex-Governor Gets off a Good One at the Greensboro Convention.

Greensboro, North Carolina, July 4.

Referring to the comparatively small attendance upon the convention when the monster gathering at which Glenn was nominated is remembered, ex-Governor Aycock in his speech, said it was a "testimonial of the peace and good order in the state and of the want of any apprehension on the part of the people of any danger to democratic supremacy."

The convention, however, was small only when the unfair comparison is made with that which came in response to a heated campaign over the gubernatorial nomination two years ago. Its personnel was of the highest. The men who composed the delegations were the solid men of their sections as a rule, the leaders in business and in the professions and of that type of "good citizens" whose active participation of late years in politics has done so much in North Carolina towards elevating the sentiment of the people and towards bringing out the moral and educational development which has so greatly blessed the commonwealth since the deeper feeling of the people for the higher things has been given room to grow by the elimination by the constitutional amendment of the smothering incubus of fear of the negro. Just as the more elegant refinements of feeling and sentiment are dwarfed by hard conditions of poverty, so did the execution of the more humane ideals which had their germ in the hearts of 1900 to find their more perfect expression. The sustenance of life itself is not more imperative or more selfish in demand on energy than was the vital call to protect the home and the high liberty of a superior race in the death grapple of the fearful days of 1898. The supreme question having been met, the people are turning in peace and confidence, to the pursuit of prosperity and the development of their finer destiny.

Mr. Aycock also set the convention in a roar by his inimitable narration of a story which he credited to Dr. Dixon and which he applied with telling effect to the condition of the republican party in the state.

He had heard a republican make the boast, said he, that they now have a "new" party; that the democrats had passed the amendment and taken away the "nigger" and what was left of the republican party in the state was purged, fresh and clean and virginal. "Why," said the republican, "we have just started a new life. We are young. Our party is only six years old! Watch us; we'll grow."

That, said he, reminded him of Dr. Dixon's story:

A gentleman started into the depot at Raleigh to take the train when his eye was arrested by the figure of a man, which was inordinately repulsive. Unimaginably was the fellow dirty. He exuded a variety of smells equal to the history of the beef trust. His clothes were overlaid with a greasy mold. His hair hung about his neck and stood off from his ears like a wick that has been dipped in tallow. His face was mottled in varying shades of black and brown and yellow. His hands were caked with grime and his fingers seemed ready to drip filth. His beard, that might have held the secrets of the jungle, framed a mouth that was like a black hole exuding rivulets of nicotine. The whole figure seemed oppressed and crushed under a weight of dirt. The eyes were like dull bubbles on a stagnant pool the whole picture was one of misery and squalor.

So impressed was the gentleman that he stopped and spoke to the man:

"How old are you?" he asked.

"Thirty years," replied the individual.

"Oh, no!" exclaimed the gentleman incredulously, "tell me how old you are!"

The man insisted that he was thirty years old. The gentleman insisted to the contrary. The man protested. Finally the gentleman said:

"Oh, well, if you won't tell, I can't know. But I know that you are more than thirty years old. You'll never see fifty again. It's impossible. It's against nature! No man could get as dirty as you are in thirty years."

Look at the republican party, exclaimed Mr. Aycock, and you'll recognize that it is no new thing! A blind man could tell that it was old in the dark. Like the man at the station, it is too dirty to be young! It's filth and rotteness cannot be acquired in six years or twenty. It's the same old squalid thing it always was.

And if you don't believe it's dirty ask Blackburn's friends about Marion Butler and Adams and Rollins.

And if you don't believe they're dirty ask Marion Butler and Rollins and Adams about Blackburn and his crowd.

They are old enough in dirt to know

the feel and tell the truth about one another.

The resolution offered by Mr. A. L. Brooks, solicitor of this district, to endorse Bryan as the presidential candidate in 1908, and presenting Bryan as his running mate, precipitated what at one time promised to be a lively fight, but as there were less than twenty-five delegates present who opposed it, the resolutions were adopted with only 57 1-2 votes against it, cast by very few men, most of the votes against it being cast by men who had several votes, one man alone casting ten votes from his county against it. When it was read, Congressman Ed. Pou moved that the rules be suspended and the resolution adopted. Mr. W. H. Powell, of Edgecombe, raised the first voice against its passage, saying he was a Bryan man but didn't believe in making a contract two years ahead of time. During the course of the debate Mr. E. F. Aydtlett, (who opposed consideration only because he said thought it was premature to discuss presidential candidates two years in advance) understood Mr. Brooks to say the resolution merely expressed his high opinion of Mr. Bryan as a man and not as a candidate and would therefore withdraw opposition with that understanding. Then was the most thrilling event of the session. The Bryan men wanted no meaningless resolutions, and several arose to say that if the Brooks resolutions did not endorse Bryan for president in 1908, they should be amended to that effect. Suddenly in the corner of the rear gallery, Mr. W. W. Kitchin arose. He was soon recognized and for five minutes he spoke with the same sort of eloquence with which he spoke in the 1903 convention when he carried it by storm. Every sentence was punctuated by applause. He wanted the resolution to declare for Bryan for president and would accept nothing less. He would not agree for Mr. Aydtlett to withdraw his opposition upon the ground that the resolutions did not mean we wanted Bryan for president in 1908, and he offered an amendment that the convention declare itself unequivocally to that effect. To the same effect spoke Ed. Pou and V. S. Bryant and Locke Craig and A. L. Brooks, E. J. Justice and others and eloquently declared their determination to endorse Bryan for president, Mr. Pou, who was on the platform shaped up an amendment in accordance with the speeches which Mr. Brooks incorporated in his resolution, and upon a roll-call vote, they were adopted with only 57 1-2 votes in the convention against them, and most of the men who voted that way took pains to say that they favored Bryan, but thought any declaration this year was premature.

Every state convention that has met this year has declared for Bryan. As Will Kitchin said: "You cannot declare too often for Bryan." If the North Carolina convention had not passed the resolution, it would have been construed that the first state that favored him in 1898 was not zealous for him now that the whole country was turning to him. It would have been fine if every delegate had favored acting now and had voted for the resolutions, but those who favored them opposed any cutting off debate and stood for the roll-call so that every delegate could record his vote as he pleased. That's what I like about democratic conventions. The delegates disagree and talk it out, but no minority is denied the right to be heard and to have its position made plain. But it was clear that the convention was overwhelmingly for Bryan and Aycock, and the people at home are even stronger for them than the vote here would indicate.

J. D.

## The Chautauqua.

The lot purchased for the new auditorium is now being graded. The plans for the building are drawn and the lumber is secured, and will be on the ground by the 15th. This means that the auditorium will be completed and ready for occupancy by the 15th of August. A brief description of the building itself will be of interest. It will be 85x115 feet, weather-boarded, hip roof. The casement windows will be 10x4 feet each, there will be four big ventilators in the roof, which with the large windows will insure a supply of fresh air at all times. There will be 1500 chairs, the platform at one end will be raised, and the big building will be lighted by arc lights.

The Chautauqua will last, this year, for two weeks. The attractions will embrace noted lecturers on scientific subjects and many other matters of popular interest, and some really fine musical organizations.

The Bible Conference is really an entirely separate institution, and will not be held this year at all, but will hold its first session next spring.

The admission to the Chautauqua, if a season ticket is bought, is only about nine and one-third cents for each attraction, but single admissions will be fifty cents.

All indications point towards a most successful season, and it is expected to bring many hundreds of people to Hendersonville.

## TO USE ITS POWER.

Should Regulate Rentals, Rates and Service of Telephones.

On Tuesday morning, July 2nd, the delegates from the counties of the first district in the district meeting unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"We favor the exercise of all the power now vested in the Corporation Commission for the regulation of telephones to prevent extortion, discrimination, or over-charge, and if its present power be found insufficient for this purpose, the enactment of such legislation as will confer upon it the necessary power."

And their member of the committee on platform, from the district, was requested to use his best efforts to have it incorporated in the platform as adopted by the State Convention. A similar resolution to this was offered by Judge Graham in the convention and referred to the Committee on Platform. This resolution was unanimously agreed to by the members of the Platform Committee of the State Convention.

When Senator Simmons, who was a member of the Platform Committee from the fourth congressional district and chairman of the committee, presented the platform to the State Convention as agreed upon by the Platform Committee, it was found that the platform was silent as to telephones, including them in the general section demanding the regulation of public service corporations by the Corporation Commission. At this juncture Hon. J. D. Murphy, of Buncombe, moved to amend the platform requiring Corporation Commission to regulate the rentals, rates and service of telephone companies.

Senator Simmons accepted this amendment and said that such resolution had been agreed upon by the Platform Committee, but by an oversight it was omitted from the draft that he had in hand. Mr. F. B. Arendell who was secretary of the convention had this amendment of Mr. Murphy's and attached it to the copy of the platform, and in some way it seems to have been left out in the copies of the platform as published in the newspapers.

Linseed oil retails at sixty-five cents per gallon. House paint retails at \$1.65 per gallon. Why pay \$1.65 for Linseed oil sealed up in a paint can, when you can buy it from the barrel at 65c? Buy Wadsworth semi-paste paint at \$1.65 from your dealer, add a gallon of oil to a gallon of paint for three coat work, and reduce the cost of the paint ready for use to a little more than one dollar per gallon. Don't take a substitute for Wadsworth. It has no substitute.

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Hendersonville, N. C.

## Tribute of Respect.

Harriett C. Featherston was born February 9th, 1835 and died June 27th, 1906. Age 71 years 4 months and 8 days. She was married to Col. Jos. Livingston January 9th, 1855, to them 8 children were born, 5 of them still living, 3 sons and 2 daughters. In the year of 1863 she was converted in a "Camp Meeting," at the "Blue Ridge Camp Ground" and was one among the old, if not one of the oldest members of the M. E. church South, at Hendersonville, N. C. She was a devoted wife, and a loving mother, a true neighbor, and will be missed by all who knew her and especially by her own household and near relatives. During all her sickness and afflictions prior to her death she was patient, and never complained, but seemingly was leaving all to him who doeth all things well; she expressed herself as being willing and ready to die having obtained the victory through Him who loved her and had given Himself for her. I commend those who mourn for her and over their sad loss to the comforter who hath the Balm for every wound and may they all meet her in heaven.

A FRIEND.

## Half the World Wonders.

how the other half lives. Those who use Bucklen's Arnica Salve never wonder if it will cure Cuts, Wounds, Burns, Sores and all Skin eruptions; they know it will. Mrs. Grant Shy, 1130 E. Reynolds St., Springfield, Ill., says: "I regard it one of the absolute necessities of housekeeping." Guaranteed by Justus' Pharmacy, 25c.

## Appalachian Railroad.

Major Strong has completed the survey of the Appalachian railroad as far as Rutherfordton and has a profile map of the work that far. The surveying parties have undergone some extreme hardships in their work, but progress is being made rapidly.

## The Editors at Hendersonville.

(Ocala Banner.)

The Florida Press association spent a very charming day at Hendersonville Monday, June 4, and never before have they received a more cordial nor delightful welcome.

The people of that beautiful little city outdid themselves in their hospitality to the editors and left nothing undone to make our stay with them a delight. We were met at the depot by the mayor of the city, Mr. A. F. P. King, Mr. W. A. Smith, president of the Appalachian Inderurban railroad; Mr. T. R. Barrows, associate editor and manager of the French Broad Hustler, and a number of the other prominent citizens of Hendersonville. We were at once driven to the Blue Ridge Inn, where a splendid dinner was served.

Before having dinner a short walk was taken to the court house, city hall and near by points, and some beautiful views of the city were seen from the top of the elegant court house.

A pleasing incident of the dinner hour was the arrival of Mr. Thomas A. Edison, of Orange, N. J., at the Blue Ridge. Mr. Edison, with several of his men, two tremendous automobiles and a complete camping outfit are touring the mountains of North Carolina searching for cobalt. The arrival of Mr. Edison created a great deal of interest and the news that America's great wizard was in Hendersonville soon spread all over the city, and large numbers gathered around the Blue Ridge to catch a glimpse of the great man and to look at his machines.

After dinner splendid carriages were provided for the party, and a most beautiful drive of three hours was enjoyed, the trip including a drive through the city and to some of the surrounding mountains.

Our escorts on the trip were Mayor King, Colonel Smith, Mr. J. M. Waldrop, secretary of the board of trade; Messrs. W. H. Barnes, C. E. Brooks, W. A. Garland and others.

Hendersonville is in the very heart of the mountains and is an ideal place to spend the summer, and is each season growing more and more popular. It is surrounded by the magnificent peaks of Tryon, Pinnacle, Sugar Loaf, Craggy, Chimney Rock, Glasey, Hebron, Pisgah, Shaking Bald mountain and many others. It is an unusually attractive little city, and its citizens are very progressive. There are three large hotels, the Gates, the Wheeler and the Blue Ridge, and many excellent private boarding houses. Its altitude is 2,200 feet, and its population considerably over three thousand.

Its climate is beyond compare; the scenery in every direction is perfectly superb, and the pine covered mountains which surround the city restores the ill to new life and vitality.

The pure mountain spring water is delightful both for drinking and bathing purposes, no finer water being found anywhere.

We were first driven to the Laurel Hill park, which has a club house, race track, artificial lake, baseball diamond, tennis courts, etc., and is quite a lovely spot. The mountains and hills are covered with daisies, laurel, honeysuckle, rhododendron and other beautiful flowers in the wildest profusion, and the beauty of the mountains is almost fairy-like. The views from the top of the mountains are exquisite and the cool air is most delicious and refreshing.

The Crystal Spring, the Cascades and many smaller falls on Laurel Hill are lovely and the drive in its entirety was a most beautiful one.

On the way we passed many beautiful residences, notably those of J. Caldwell Robertson, J. C. Reed, J. M. Waldrop, Capt. J. W. Wofford, Col. W. A. Smith, Mayor King, W. A. Garland, C. E. Brooks and hundreds of others.

At the conclusion of a drive that will ever be a pleasant and memorable one to the editors, we were driven to the Southern railway and left for Asheville, arriving there at 8 o'clock.

Try a little KODOL FOR DYSPEPSIA after your meals. See the effect it will produce on your general feelings by digesting your food and helping your stomach to get itself into shape. Many stomachs are overworked to the point where they refuse to go further. Kodol digests your food and gives your stomach the rest it needs; while its reconstructive properties get the stomach back into working order. Kodol relieves flatulence, sour stomach, papillation of the heart, belching, etc. Sold by F. V. Hunter.

## Greenville Railroad.

The track is now laid on the new Greenville railroad as far as Traveler's Rest, S. C. We understand the plans of the company are not as yet fully matured, and while the road will eventually enter Knoxville, Tenn., it is not definitely settled just what points it will touch.